

**Mansfield Board of Education
January 21, 2016
Minutes**

Attendees:	Randy Walikonis, Chair, Jay Rueckl, Vice Chair, Martha Kelly, Secretary, Susannah Everett, John Fratiello, Sarah Lacombe, Kathy Ward
Excused:	Carrie Silver-Bernstein, Katherine Paulhus

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mr. Walikonis

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Ms. Ward, to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2015 meeting. Vote: Unanimous in favor with Mrs. Lacombe in abstention.

Motion by Mr. Rueckl, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2016 workshop. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

HEARING FOR VISITORS: None

Ms. Silver-Bernstein arrived at 7:34pm.

COMMUNICATIONS: Letter of retirement from Karen Moylan, Mathematics Consultant. Letter of resignation from Denise Proffer, Special Education teacher at Southeast School

ADDITIONS TO THE PRESENT AGENDA: Motion by Mr. Walikonis, seconded by Mr. Fratiello, to add consent agenda to address correspondence. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

BOARD REPORTS: None.

INFORMATION, PRESENTATIONS, AND ACTIONS

- 2016-2017 School Calendar: Discussion regarding reduction of one instructional day and adding a Professional Development Day. Motion by Mr. Rueckl, seconded by Mr. Fratiello, to adopt the proposed 2016-2017 school calendar. Vote: Mr. Fratiello, Ms. Everett, Mrs. Lacombe, Mr. Rueckl, Mr. Walikonis, Ms. Ward, and Ms. Silver-Bernstein in favor. Mrs. Kelly opposed. Motion passed.

Mrs. Paulhus arrived at 7:55pm.

- Capital Improvement Projects: Allen Corson, Director of Facilities Maintenance, Bill Trietch, Assistant Director of Facilities Maintenance, and Cherie Trahan, Director of Finance reviewed conditions of schools, particularly Mansfield Middle School gym and Vinton School boiler. The need for a facilities study was also reviewed by Mrs. Lyman and the above. Motion by Mr. Rueckl, seconded by Mrs. Paulhus to support the request for a FY 16/17 Capital Improvement Project for repairs and improvements to the Middle School gymnasium at an estimated cost of \$873,000. Vote: Unanimous in favor
Motion by Ms. Silver-Bernstein, seconded by Ms. Ward, to support the request for a FY 16/17 Capital Improvement Project for the replacement of the boiler at Vinton School at an estimated cost of \$450,000. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
Motion by Ms. Everett, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, to support the request for a FY 16/17 Capital Improvement Project for a Facility Study at an estimated cost of \$160,000. Vote: Unanimous in favor.
- 2016-2017 Proposed Budget – Introduction and Overview: Mrs. Lyman presented the Superintendent's proposed budget of \$23.112.140 representing a 4.9% increase from the adopted 2015-2016 budget. She provided background and an overview of the budget stating that the budget would be reviewed in detail in the upcoming workshops.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Mr. Walikonis, seconded by Mr. Rueckl, that the following items for the Board of Education January 21, 2016 meeting be approved. Vote: Unanimous in favor.

That the Mansfield Board of Education accepts the retirement of Karen Moylan, Mathematics Consultant, effective the end of the 2015-2016 school year.

That the Mansfield Board of Education accepts the resignation of Denise Proffer, Special Education teacher at Southeast School, effective February 12, 2016.

HEARING FOR VISITORS: Rochelle Marcus, Co-President MEA and parent, expressed support of the proposed budget.

SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Mrs. Paulhus, seconded by Mrs. Lacombe, to adjourn at 9:40pm.
Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Celeste Griffin, Board Clerk